

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Merrick) Application No. 911-023.11
County, Central City, seeking)
funding approval for recurring) ORDER DENYING FUNDING REQUEST
and non-recurring costs of)
Enhanced Wireless 911)
implementation.) Entered: May 30, 2007

BY THE COMMISSION:

By written request for funding dated January 25, 2007, Merrick County, Central City, sought funding from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund for expenses for implementing and providing enhanced wireless 911 service.

In its application, Merrick County sought non-recurring costs in the amount of **\$8,150.00** for the purchase and installation of mapping software necessary to implement enhanced wireless 911 service. Merrick County provided supporting documentation for the software including its contract with its Vendor, which was dated June 15, 1997. The software was installed in July, 1999. These expenses were incurred prior to the passage of the Enhanced Wireless 911 Services Act. The Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board considered Merrick County's request at its March 23, 2007 meeting and was informed by the County's vendor that the software was originally installed for wireline purposes. The Board recommended that the Commission deny the request.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

This request for additional funding is being processed pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-442 to 86-470. (Cum. Supp. 2006), 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 1, Section 5, Progression Order No. 5 in Commission Docket No. 911-001, entered July 16, 2002 and the Interim Policy established in Progression Order No. 1 in Commission Docket No. 911-017/PI-116, entered February 13, 2007 (Interim Policy).

Based upon the request for funding, supporting documentation, and in consideration of the recommendation of the Advisory Board, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that costs requested, should be denied.

Should Merrick County wish to submit funding requests for future updates to the software, it is free to do so and the Commission will consider them.

Should Merrick County wish to be heard by the Commission regarding the funding request it shall notify the Commission in writing **within fifteen (15) days** of this order and the matter will be set for hearing.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Merrick County's request for funding in the amount of \$8,500.00 should be and is hereby denied.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED should Merrick County wish to be heard by the Commission regarding this funding request it shall notify the Commission in writing **within fifteen (15) days** of this order and the matter will be set for hearing.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 30th day of May, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director